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The House met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MCINTYRE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC.

December 10, 2007.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MIKE MCINTYRE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

At Your invitation and by Your holy inspiration, Lord God Almighty, we pray: "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done." With similar words or phrases we dispose ourselves in prayer to respond to Your initiative in us personally and as a corporate entity.

As a Nation and today in Congress we express our desire to be Your instrument in bringing peace and unity to this world. May we skillfully speak only the truth and work toward un-

equivocal justice so to achieve Your plan for us.

Give us patience because the work is great and our limitations are honest. But in You and through You hope is instilled in us and marvelous deeds can be expected to give You glory now and forever.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the

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ROBERT A. BRADY, *Chairman*.

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last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 4, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, H-232 The Capitol, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 4, 2007, at 9:57 a.m.:

That the Senate passed with an amendment H.R. 238.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk of the House.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, December 7, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
The Speaker, H-232 The Capitol, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 7, 2007, at 11:28 a.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4118.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3315.

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 54.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk of the House.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. Con. Res. 54. Concurrent resolution supporting the designation of a week as "National Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and

Automated External Defibrillator Awareness Week"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced her signature to enrolled bills and a joint resolution of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 888. To amend section 1091 of title 18, United States Code, to allow the prosecution of genocide in appropriate circumstances.

S. 2371. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to make technical corrections.

S.J. Res. 8. Providing for the reappointment of Patricia Q. Stonesifer as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the House stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate.

There was no objection.

Accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, December 11, 2007, at 10:30 a.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4345. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Foot-and-Mouth Disease Status of Uruguay [Docket No. 00-111-3] received November 13, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4346. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Funding and Fiscal Affairs, Loan Policies and Operations, and Funding Operations; Capital Adequacy--Basel Accord (RIN: 3052-AC25) received November 13, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4347. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, Case Number 07-07, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

4348. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Waiver of Specialty Metals Restriction for Acquisition of Commercially Available Off-the-Shelf Items [DFARS Case 2007-D013] (RIN: 0750-AF74) received November 6, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4349. A letter from the Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's notification of its intention to disestablish the BX Mart in order to establish independent exchange and commissary operation at the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth, Texas, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2488; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4350. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of the

Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Risk-Based Capital Standards: Advanced Capital Adequacy Framework — Basel II [Docket No. OCC-2007-018] (RIN: 1557-AC91) received November 20, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4351. A letter from the Legal Information Assistant, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Risk-Based Capital Standards: Advanced Capital Adequacy Framework — Basel II [Docket No. OCC-2007-0018] (RIN: 1557-AC91) received November 26, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4352. A letter from the Regulatory Specialist, LRAD, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Identity Theft Red Flags and Address Discrepancies Under the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003 [Docket ID OCC-2007-0017] (RIN: 1557-AC87) received November 13, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4353. A letter from the Regulatory Specialist, LRAD, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Fair Credit Reporting Affiliate Marketing Regulations [Docket ID. OCC-2007-0010] (RIN: 1557-AC88) received November 13, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4354. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports to Angola pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

4355. A letter from the Deputy Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits — received October 1, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

4356. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's report entitled, "Technical Guidance for the Development of Tribal Air Monitoring"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4357. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Japan (Transmittal No. DDTC 098-07); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4358. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and services to the Governments of Taiwan, Singapore, Canada, and the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DDTC 094-07); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4359. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the fifty-fifth Semiannual Report to Congress on management decisions and final actions taken on audit recommendations, covering the period April 1, 2007 through September 30, 2007 in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b);